GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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SHATABDI EXPRESS BETWEEN PURI AND PARADIP
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have received any request to introduce a Shatabdi Express train between Puri and Paradip;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the Railways have made any assessment for starting train between these two stations;

(d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(e) the time by which the train service is likely to be started?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. A few requests have been received for introduction of Shatabdi Express train between Paradip and Puri.

(c) to (e): Additional trains including Shatabdi express are introduced over Indian Railways depending upon various factors like traffic pattern, operational feasibility, availability of resources, commercial justification etc. Introduction of a Shatabdi Express between Paradip and Puri is not justified at present.